

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3143
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CONSTRUCTION OF BOUDH STUPA BY ASI
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether approval of the Archaeological Survey of India(A.S.I.) has been taken for construction of the Boudh Stupa being constructed by the D.D.A at the Millennium Park behind the old fort located in Delhi;
- (b) whether the ASI has ascertained that the beauty and grandeur of the tomb of Humayun, will not be adversely affected due to the construction of the above stupa;
- (c) whether the approval of the Archaeological Department is essential for the construction of such a structure; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRIS. JAYAPAL REDDY)

- (a) No Sir,
- (b) Although the site of construction is beyond the regulated area of nearest protected monument, view of the Humayun's Tomb from the east and beyond, specially Ring Road, would certainly get obstructed.
- (c)&(d) No, Sir. It is not mandatory to obtain permission from ASI for construction in the area beyond the regulated area of the centrally protected monuments.